

Amendment to the Claims:

1. (Cancelled)

2. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 4, wherein the allocation unit transmits an encoded light pulse.

3. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 4, wherein the allocation unit transmits an encoded radio signal.

4. (Previously Presented) A method of allocating network elements to a wireless network, wherein an allocation unit transmits a code to a first network element, which causes the first network element to transmit its ID together with the code so that the latter can be received by a second network element which allocates 5 the first network element to its network and wherein the activation of the second network element to receive the encoded ID from the first network element takes place by receiving the code from the allocation unit.

5. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 4, wherein the allocation unit receives the encoded ID from the first network element and transmit-transmits it to the second network element.

6. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 4, wherein the allocation unit transmits a second code which causes the first network element to leave the network of the second network element.

7. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 4, wherein the allocation unit transmits a second code which causes the second network element, which has a network administration function, to break up the network.

8. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 6, wherein the second code for removing network elements or for breaking up the network includes the first code being transmitted over a longer time period or a number of times.

9. (Previously Presented) An allocation unit for allocating network elements to a wireless network, comprising:

a transmitter which transmits, in a user-controlled manner, a code to a first network element, which code causes the first network element to transmit its ID together with the code to a second network element which allocates the first network element to its network.

10. (Previously Presented) The allocation unit as claimed in claim 9, wherein the transmitter comprises:

a device for transmitting an encoded light pulse and/or an encoded radio signal.

11. (Previously Presented) The allocation unit as claimed in claim 9, wherein the code which causes the first network element to transmit its ID together with the code causes the second network element to receive the first network element ID from the first network element.

12. (Previously Presented) The allocation unit as claimed in claim 9, further including:

a receiver which receives encoded IDs.

13. (Previously Presented) The allocation unit as claimed in claim 9, further including:

one or more devices which display a respective operating state.

14. (Previously Presented) The allocation unit as claimed in claim 9, further including:

a transmitter which transmits, in a user-controlled manner, a second code which causes the first network element to leave the network of the second network element or which causes the second network element, which has a network administration function, to break up the network.

15. (Currently Amended) A system for allocation medical network devices to a wireless network comprising:

an allocation unit which transmits [[a]] an encoded code in response to a user command;

5 a unassigned first medical network device which receives the encoded code and transmits an encoded first [[ID]] medical network device ID with the encoded code in response to the reception of the encoded code;

10 a second medical network medical device, assigned to an existing network and having network administration functions, which second medical network device receives the encoded first medical network device ID and assigns the first medical network device to the existing network in response to the reception of the encoded code from the allocation unit.

16. (Previously Presented) The system as claimed in claim 15, wherein the allocation unit transmits an encoded light pulse.

17. (Previously Presented) The system as claimed in claim 15, wherein the allocation unit transmits an encoded radio signal.